

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical pickup apparatus includes first, second and third light sources; a light converging optical system including an objective optical element, converging a light flux emitted from the first to third light sources respectively onto first to third information recording surfaces, wherein the light converging optical system introduces the light flux emitted from the first light source as an infinite parallel light flux to be incident on the objective optical element; and a chromatic aberration correcting element suppressing a variation of a chromatic aberration based on a wavelength variation in a light flux emitted from the first light source. The light converging optical system includes a spherical aberration correcting structure to correct a spherical aberration caused by at least one of a difference in thickness among the first to third protective layers and a difference in wavelength among light fluxes from the first to third light sources.